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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the February 2, 2001 Office Action, having a one month term for reply, and supplemental to the response submitted January 23, 2001, which is incorporated herein by reference.

### <u>REMARKS</u>

The Office Action required an election of a species of a polypeptide with no variable amino acid positions. Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, for further prosecution in this application the species directed to amino acids 230-271 as shown in Figure 7, which includes